

COLUMBUS MCKINNON CORP

Form 8-K

February 23, 2009

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 20, 2009

COLUMBUS MCKINNON CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEW YORK
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-27618
(Commission File Number)

16-0547600
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

140 JOHN JAMES AUDUBON PARKWAY, AMHERST, NEW YORK
(Address of principal executive offices)

14228-1197
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: (716) 689-5400

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On February 20, 2009, the registrant announced that it has named Robert S. Clare to the newly created position of Managing Director – Asia Pacific. A copy of the press release issued in connection with such action is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits.

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
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99.1	Press Release dated February 20, 2009
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

COLUMBUS MCKINNON CORPORATION

By: /s/ Karen L. Howard

Name: Karen L. Howard

Title: Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Dated: February 20, 2009

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